

ing between 27,000 and 28,000 inhabitants, as shown by the last Federal census, to borrow money and to mortgage and encumber any part or all of its properties and facilities and the franchise and revenues and income from the operation thereof and everything pertaining thereto, etc., and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 13, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 820, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide that counties having a population of not less than 325,700 and not more than 325,900 shall have the authority to establish, own and operate a parental home and school for the care and training of dependent and delinquent youth; providing for defraying the expenses thereof, the administration of said home; providing for the commitment of individuals; validating bonds issued for such purpose, and declaring an emergency,"

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

THIRTIETH DAY.

(Tuesday, March 17, 1931.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., pursuant to adjournment, and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

The roll was called, and the following members were present:

Mr. Speaker.	Burns
Adams of Harris.	of McCulloch.
Adams of Jasper.	Burns of Walker.
Adamson.	Carpenter.
Adkins.	Caven.
Akin.	Claunch.
Albritton.	Coltrin.
Alsup.	Coombes.
Anderson.	Cox of Lamar.
Baker.	Cox of Limestone.
Barron.	Cunningham.
Beck.	Dale.
Bedford.	Daniel.
Bond.	Davis.
Bounds.	DeWolfe.
Boyd.	Dodd.
Bradley.	Donnell.
Brice.	Dowell.
Brooks.	Dunlap.
Bryant.	Duvall.

Dwyer.	McGill.
Elliott.	McGregor.
Farmer.	Magee.
Farrar.	Mathis.
Ferguson.	Mehl.
Fisher.	Metcalfe.
Forbes.	Moffett.
Ford.	Moore.
Fuchs.	Munson.
Gilbert.	Murphy.
Giles.	Nicholson.
Graves.	O'Quinn.
Greathouse.	Patterson.
Grogan.	Petsch.
Hanson.	Pope.
Hardy.	Ramsey.
Harman.	Ratliff.
Harrison	Ray.
of El Paso.	Reader.
Harrison	Richardson.
of Waller.	Rogers.
Hatchitt.	Rountree.
Hefley.	Sanders.
Herzik.	Satterwhite.
Hill.	Savage.
Hines.	Shelton.
Holder.	Sherrill.
Holland.	Smith of Bastrop.
Holloway.	Smith of Wood.
Howsley.	Sparkman.
Hubbard.	Stephens.
Hughes.	Stevenson.
Jackson.	Steward.
Johnson of Dallam.	Strong.
Johnson of Dimmit.	Sullivant.
Johnson of Morris.	Tarwater.
Jones of Atascosa.	Terrell of Cherokee.
Jones of Shelby.	Terrell of Val Verde.
Justiss.	Turner.
Kayton.	Van Zandt.
Keller.	Vaughan.
Kennedy.	Veatch.
Laird.	Wagstaff.
Lasseter.	Walker.
Lee.	Warwick.
Lemens.	Weinert.
Leonard.	West of Cameron.
Lilley.	West of Coryell.
Lockhart.	Wiggs.
Long.	Wyatt.
McCombs.	Young.
McDougald.	

Absent.

Finn.	Olsen.
Hoskins.	Westbrook.
Martin.	

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

A quorum was announced present.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. John W. Holt, Chaplain.

LEAVES OF ABSENCE
GRANTED.

The following members were granted leaves of absence on account of important business:

Mr. Engelhard for today, on motion of Mr. Moffett.

Mr. Goodman for today, on motion of Mr. Elliott.

Mr. Towery for today, on motion of Mr. Lee.

HOUSE BILL ON FIRST READ-
ING.

The following House bill, introduced today (by unanimous consent), was laid before the House, read first time and referred to the appropriate committee, as follows:

By Mr. McDougald, Mr. Johnson of Dimmit, Mr. Metcalfe and Mr. Wagstaff:

H. B. No. 975, A bill to be entitled "An Act creating the Conservation Commission of Texas, to be composed of three men; providing the qualifications of its members, their terms of office, their method of appointment, and their salaries; transferring from the Railroad Commission of Texas to the Conservation Commission of Texas all jurisdiction, powers, rights and authority heretofore conferred and all duties heretofore imposed upon the Railroad Commission of Texas and its members under Title 102, Revised Civil Statutes of 1925, Chapter 313, Acts of 1929, Forty-first Legislature; Chapter 36, Acts of 1930, Fifth Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, and all laws of the State of Texas relating to the conservation of oil and gas, regulating gas utilities, pipe lines and common purchasers of oil, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Oil, Gas and Mining.

RESOLUTION ORDERED
PRINTED.

Mr. Holland moved that House joint resolution No. 9, reported adversely, with a minority favorable report, be printed.

Yeas and nays were demanded, and the motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—85.

Adams of Harris.	Adkins.
Adams of Jasper.	Akin.
Adamson.	Albritton.

Anderson.	Johnson
Baker.	of Dallam.
Beck.	Johnson of Morris.
Bedford.	Jones of Atascosa.
Bounds.	Jones of Shelby.
Boyd.	Justiss.
Bradley.	Keller.
Bryant.	Kennedy.
Burns	Laird.
of McCulloch.	Lasseter.
Burns of Walker.	Leonard.
Carpenter.	Lilley.
Caven.	Lockhart.
Claunch.	McCombs.
Coltrin.	McDougald.
Coombes.	McGregor.
Cox of Limestone.	Mathis.
Dale.	Mehl.
Dodd.	Metcalfe.
Dowell.	Moffett.
Duvall.	O'Quinn.
Farmer.	Patterson.
Ferguson.	Pope.
Fisher.	Ratliff.
Forbes.	Reader.
Ford.	Sanders.
Gilbert.	Savage.
Giles.	Smith of Bastrop.
Greathouse.	Smith of Wood.
Grogan.	Steward.
Hanson.	Strong.
Harman.	Sullivant.
Harrison	Tarwater.
of El Paso.	Terrell
Harrison	of Cherokee.
of Waller.	Terrell
Hatchitt.	of Val Verde.
Herzik.	Van Zandt.
Hines.	Wagstaff.
Holland.	Weinert.
Holloway.	Wyatt.
Howsley.	Young.
Hughes.	

Nays—19.

Alsup.	Munson.
Bond.	Petsch.
Brice.	Rogers.
Brooks.	Stevenson.
Daniel.	Vaughan.
Donnell.	Veatch.
Elliott.	Walker.
Hefley.	West of Coryell.
Hill.	Wiggs.
Long.	

Present—Not Voting.

Farrar.	Hardy.
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Absent.

Barron.	Dwyer.
Cox of Lamar.	Finn.
Cunningham.	Fuchs.
Davis.	Graves.
DeWolfe.	Holder.
Dunlap.	Hoskins.

Hubbard.	Richardson.
Jackson.	Ramsey.
Johnson	Ray.
of Dimmit.	Rountree.
Kayton.	Satterwhite.
Lee.	Shelton.
Lemens.	Sherrill.
McGill.	Sparkman.
Magee.	Stephens.
Martin.	Turner.
Moore.	Warwick.
Murphy.	West of Cameron.
Nicholson.	Westbrook.
Olsen.	

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

BILLS ORDERED NOT PRINTED.

(By Unanimous Consent.)

On motion of Mr. Fisher, House bill No. 919 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Johnson of Dallam, House bill No. 874 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Adams of Jasper, Senate bill No. 77 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Terrell of Val Verde, House bill No. 746 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Donnell, House bill No. 925 was ordered not printed.

On motion of Mr. Smith of Wood, House bill No. 870 was ordered not printed.

DISPENSING WITH RESOLUTION PERIOD.

On motion of Mr. Keller, the House agreed to dispense with the consideration of resolutions at this time.

HOUSE BILL NO. 6 ON PASSAGE TO ENGROSSMENT.

The Speaker laid before the House, as pending business, on its passage to engrossment,

H. B. No. 6, A bill to be entitled "An Act further regulating the practice of medicine within this State; requiring the payment of annual registration fee by all persons lawfully qualified and engaged in the practice of medicine, and conferring certain powers on the Texas State Board of Medical Examiners, etc., and declaring an emergency."

The bill having heretofore been read second time, with amendment by Mr. Pope pending.

Mr. Patterson moved the previous question on the pending amendments and certain others filed and the bill, and the main question was ordered.

Question recurring on the pending amendment by Mr. Pope, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—38.

Adamson.	Hardy.
Akin.	Harman.
Bond.	Hefley.
Boyd.	Holloway.
Brice.	Kennedy.
Bryant.	Lee.
Burns of Walker.	Lilley.
Carpenter.	McGregor.
Claunch.	Murphy.
Cox of Lamar.	Pope.
Cunningham.	Ramsey.
DeWolfe.	Richardson.
Donnell.	Sparkman.
Farmer.	Stephens.
Farrar.	Stevenson.
Fisher.	Steward.
Ford.	Turner.
Grogan.	Vaughan.
Hanson.	West of Coryell.

Nays—84.

Adams of Harris.	Harrison
Adams of Jasper.	of El Paso.
Adkins.	Harrison
Albritton.	of Waller.
Alsup.	Hatchitt.
Anderson.	Herzik.
Baker.	Hill.
Barron.	Hines.
Beck.	Holder.
Bedford.	Holland.
Bounds.	Howsley.
Bradley.	Hughes.
Burns	Jackson.
of McCulloch.	Johnson
Caven.	of Dallam.
Coltrin.	Johnson
Coombes.	of Dimmit.
Cox of Limestone.	Johnson of Morris.
Dale.	Jones of Atascosa.
Daniel.	Jones of Shelby.
Davis.	Kayton.
Dodd.	Lasseter.
Dowell.	Lemens.
Dunlap.	Lockhart.
Duvall.	McDougald.
Dwyer.	McGill.
Elliott.	Magee.
Ferguson.	Mehl.
Forbes.	Metcalf.
Fuchs.	Moore.
Gilbert.	Munson.
Graves.	O'Quinn.
Greathouse.	Patterson.

Petsch.	Strong.
Ratliff.	Sullivant.
Ray.	Terrell
Reader.	of Cherokee.
Rountree.	Van Zandt.
Sanders.	Veatch.
Satterwhite.	Wagstaff.
Savage.	Walker.
Shelton.	Warwick.
Sherrill.	Weinert.
Smith of Bastrop.	West of Cameron.
Smith of Wood.	Wyatt.

Present—Not Voting.

Rogers.

Absent.

Brooks.	Martin.
Finn.	Mathis.
Giles.	Moffett.
Hoskins.	Nicholson.
Hubbard.	Olsen.
Justiss.	Tarwater.
Keller.	Terrell
Laird.	of Val Verde.
Leonard.	Westbrook.
Long.	Wiggs.
McCombs.	Young.

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 6 by striking out the words "from such special fund" in line 10, page 4.

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—34.

Adamson.	Ford.
Akin.	Grogan.
Bond.	Hanson.
Boyd.	Harman.
Bradley.	Holland.
Brice.	Holloway.
Bryant.	Kennedy.
Burns of Walker.	Lee.
Carpenter.	Lilley.
Claunch.	McGregor.
Cox of Lamar.	Murphy.
Cunningham.	Pope.
DeWolfe.	Ramsey.
Donnell.	Richardson.
Farmer.	Rogers.
Farrar.	Steward.
Fisher.	Turner.

Nays—87.

Adams of Harris. Adams of Jasper.

Adkins.	Johnson
Albritton.	of Dimmit.
Alsup.	Johnson of Morris.
Anderson.	Jones of Atascosa.
Baker.	Jones of Shelby.
Barron.	Kayton.
Beck.	Lasseter.
Bedford.	Lemens.
Bounds.	Lockhart.
Burns	McDougald.
of McCulloch.	McGill.
Caven.	Magee.
Coltrin.	Mehl.
Coombes.	Metcalfe.
Cox of Limestone.	Moffett.
Dale.	Moore.
Daniel.	Munson.
Davis.	O'Quinn.
Dodd.	Patterson.
Dowell.	Petsch.
Dunlap.	Ratliff.
Duvall.	Ray.
Dwyer.	Reader.
Elliott.	Rountree.
Ferguson.	Sanders.
Forbes.	Satterwhite.
Fuchs.	Savage.
Gilbert.	Sherrill.
Graves.	Smith of Bastrop.
Greathouse.	Smith of Wood.
Hardy.	Sparkman.
Harrison	Strong.
of Waller.	Sullivant.
Hatchitt.	Terrell
Hefley.	of Val Verde.
Herzik.	Van Zandt.
Hill.	Vaughan.
Hines.	Veatch.
Holder.	Wagstaff.
Howsley.	Walker.
Hubbard.	Weinert.
Hughes.	West of Cameron.
Jackson.	West of Coryell.
Johnson	Wiggs.
of Dallam.	Wyatt.

Present—Not Voting.

Stephens.

Absent.

Brooks.	Martin.
Finn.	Mathis.
Giles.	Nicholson.
Harrison	Olsen.
of El Paso.	Shelton.
Hoskins.	Stevenson.
Justiss.	Tarwater.
Keller.	Terrell
Laird.	of Cherokee.
Leonard.	Warwick.
Long.	Westbrook.
McCombs.	Young.

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 6 by inserting after the word "such" in line 15, page 4, the following: "appointments and," and insert after the word "subject" in said line 15, page 4, the following: "to the direction of the Attorney General and."

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—37.

Adamson.	Holland.
Akin.	Holloway.
Bond.	Howsley.
Boyd.	Johnson of Morris.
Brice.	Kennedy.
Burns of Walker.	Lee.
Carpenter.	Lilley.
Claunch.	McGregor.
Cox of Lamar.	Moffett.
Cunningham.	Murphy.
Donnell.	Pope.
Farmer.	Ramsey.
Farrar.	Richardson.
Fisher.	Rogers.
Ford.	Stevenson.
Grogan.	Steward.
Hanson.	Turner.
Harman.	Vaughan.
Harrison of El Paso.	

Nays—79.

Adams of Harris.	Ferguson.
Adams of Jasper.	Forbes.
Adkins.	Gilbert.
Albritton.	Greathouse.
Alsup.	Hardy.
Anderson.	Harrison
Baker.	of Waller.
Barron.	Hatchitt.
Beck.	Herzik.
Bedford.	Hill.
Bounds.	Hines.
Bradley.	Holder.
Bryant.	Hughes.
Burns	Jackson.
of McCulloch.	Johnson
Caven.	of Dallam.
Coltrin.	Johnson
Coombes.	of Dimmit.
Cox of Limestone.	Jones of Atascosa.
Dale.	Jones of Shelby.
Daniel.	Kayton.
Davis.	Lasseter.
DeWolfe.	Lemens.
Dodd.	Lockhart.
Dowell.	McDougald.
Dunlap.	McGill.
Duvall.	Magee.
Dwyer.	Mehl.
Elliott.	Moore.

Munson.	Sparkman.
O'Quinn.	Strong.
Patterson.	Sullivant.
Petsch.	Terrell
Ratliff.	of Cherokee.
Ray.	Van Zandt.
Reader.	Veatch.
Sanders.	Wagstaff.
Satterwhite.	Walker.
Savage.	Weinert.
Sherrill.	West of Cameron.
Smith of Bastrop.	Wiggs.
Smith of Wood.	Wyatt.

Present—Not Voting.

Stephens.

Absent.

Brooks.	Martin.
Finn.	Mathis.
Fuchs.	Metcalfe.
Giles.	Nicholson.
Graves.	Olsen.
Hefley.	Rountree.
Hoskins.	Shelton.
Hubbard.	Tarwater.
Justiss.	Terrell
Keller.	of Val Verde.
Laird.	Warwick.
Leonard.	West of Coryell.
Long.	Westbrook.
McCombs.	Young.

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 6 by striking out the words "of not more than five thousand dollars (\$5000) per annum" in lines 22 and 23, page 4, and insert in lieu thereof the following: "to be fixed by the Legislature in its general appropriation bill."

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—69.

Adams of Harris.	Bryant.
Adamson.	Burns
Adkins.	of McCulloch.
Akin.	Burns of Walker.
Albritton.	Carpenter.
Alsup.	Caven.
Baker.	Claunch.
Barron.	Cox of Lamar.
Bond.	Daniel.
Bounds.	DeWolfe.
Boyd.	Donnell.
Brice.	Dowell.

Elliott.	Metcalf.
Farmer.	Moffett.
Farrar.	Murphy.
Fisher.	O'Quinn.
Forbes.	Petsch.
Ford.	Pope.
Fuchs.	Ramsey.
Greathouse.	Ratliff.
Grogan.	Ray.
Hanson.	Richardson.
Harman.	Rogers.
Hefley.	Sanders.
Hines.	Savage.
Holloway.	Smith of Bastrop.
Howsley.	Stephens.
Johnson of Morris.	Stevenson.
Jones of Shelby.	Steward.
Kennedy.	Turner.
Lasseter.	Vaughan.
Lilley.	Wagstaff.
McCombs.	West of Coryell.
McGill.	Wiggs.
McGregor.	Wyatt.

Nays—54.

Adams of Jasper.	Johnson
Beck.	of Dallam.
Bedford.	Johnson
Bradley.	of Dimmit.
Coltrin.	Jones of Atascosa.
Coombes.	Kayton.
Cox of Limestone.	Lee.
Dale.	Lemens.
Davis.	Lockhart.
Dodd.	McDougald.
Dunlap.	Magee.
Duvall.	Mehl.
Dwyer.	Moore.
Ferguson.	Munson.
Gilbert.	Patterson.
Graves.	Reader.
Hardy.	Rountree.
Harrison	Satterwhite.
of El Paso.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Smith of Wood.
of Waller.	Sparkman.
Hatchitt.	Strong.
Herzik.	Sullivant.
Hill.	Terrell
Holder.	of Cherokee.
Holland.	Van Zandt.
Hubbard.	Veatch.
Hughes.	Walker.
Jackson.	Weinert.
	West of Cameron.

Absent.

Anderson.	Leonard.
Brooks.	Long.
Cunningham.	Martin.
Finn.	Mathis.
Giles.	Nicholson.
Hoskins.	Olsen.
Justiss.	Shelton.
Keller.	Tarwater.
Laird.	

Terrell	Westbrook.
of Val Verde.	Young.
Warwick.	

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 6 by striking out all of line 28, beginning with the word "such," page 4, and by striking out lines 29 to 40, page 4.

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—35.

Adamson.	Hanson.
Akin.	Hefley.
Bond.	Holloway.
Boyd.	Kennedy.
Brice.	Lee.
Bryant.	Lilley.
Burns of Walker.	McGill.
Carpenter.	McGregor.
Claunch.	Murphy.
Cox of Lamar.	Pope.
Cunningham.	Ramsey.
DeWolfe.	Richardson.
Donnell.	Rogers.
Farmer.	Stevenson.
Farrar.	Steward.
Fisher.	Turner.
Ford.	Wyatt.
Grogan.	

Nays—85.

Adams of Harris.	Dwyer.
Adams of Jasper.	Elliott.
Adkins.	Ferguson.
Albritton.	Forbes.
Alsup.	Gilbert.
Anderson.	Graves.
Baker.	Greathouse.
Barron.	Hardy.
Beck.	Harman.
Bedford.	Harrison
Bounds.	of El Paso.
Bradley.	Harrison
Burns	of Waller.
of McCulloch.	Hatchitt.
Caven.	Herzik.
Coltrin.	Hill.
Coombes.	Holder.
Cox of Limestone.	Holland.
Dale.	Howsley.
Daniel.	Hubbard.
Davis.	Hughes.
Dodd.	Jackson.
Dowell.	Johnson
Dunlap.	of Dimmit.
Duvall.	Johnson of Morris.

Jones of Atascosa.	Rountree.
Jones of Shelby.	Sanders.
Kayton.	Satterwhite.
Lasseter.	Savage.
Lemens.	Sherrill.
Lockhart.	Smith of Bastrop.
McCombs.	Smith of Wood.
McDougald.	Sparkman.
Magee.	Strong.
Mehl.	Sullivant.
Metcalfe.	Terrell
Moffett.	of Cherokee.
Moore.	Van Zandt.
Munson.	Vaughan.
O'Quinn.	Veatch.
Patterson.	Wagstaff.
Petsch.	Walker.
Ratliff.	Weinert.
Ray.	West of Cameron.
Reader.	West of Coryell.

Present—Not Voting.

Hines.	Wiggs.
Stephens.	

Absent.

Brooks.	Martin.
Finn.	Mathis.
Fuchs.	Nicholson.
Giles.	Olsen.
Hoskins.	Shelton.
Johnson	Tarwater.
of Dallam.	Terrell
Justiss.	of Val Verde.
Keller.	Warwick.
Laird.	Westbrook.
Leonard.	Young.
Long.	

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

House bill No. 6 was then passed to engrossment.

HOUSE BILL NO. 6 ON THIRD READING.

Mr. Duvall moved that the constitutional rule requiring bills to be read on three several days be suspended and that House bill No. 6 be placed on its third reading and final passage.

The motion prevailed by the following vote:

Yeas—117.

Adams of Harris.	Barron.
Adams of Jasper.	Beck.
Adamson.	Bedford.
Adkins.	Bounds.
Akin.	Boyd.
Albritton.	Bradley.
Alsup.	Burns
Anderson.	of McCulloch.
Baker.	Burns of Walker.

Caven.	Lasseter.
Claunch.	Lemens.
Coltrin.	Lilley.
Coombes.	Lockhart.
Cox of Lamar.	McCombs.
Cox of Limestone.	McDougald.
Cunningham.	McGill.
Dale.	McGregor.
Davis.	Magee.
DeWolfe.	Mehl.
Dodd.	Metcalfe.
Donnell.	Moffett.
Dowell.	Moore.
Dunlap.	Munson.
Duvall.	Murphy.
Dwyer.	O'Quinn.
Elliott.	Patterson.
Farmer.	Petsch.
Ferguson.	Pope.
Forbes.	Ratliff.
Ford.	Ray.
Gilbert.	Reader.
Graves.	Richardson.
Greathouse.	Rogers.
Grogan.	Rountree.
Hanson.	Sanders.
Hardy.	Satterwhite.
Harman.	Savage.
Harrison	Shelton.
of El Paso.	Sherrill.
Harrison	Smith of Bastrop.
of Waller.	Smith of Wood.
Hatchitt.	Sparkman.
Herzik.	Stephens.
Hill.	Stevenson.
Hines.	Steward.
Holder.	Strong.
Holland.	Sullivant.
Holloway.	Terrell
Howsley.	of Cherokee.
Hubbard.	Terrell
Hughes.	of Val Verde.
Jackson.	Turner.
Johnson	Van Zandt.
of Dallam.	Vaughan.
Johnson	Veatch.
of Dimmit.	Wagstaff.
Johnson of Morris.	Walker.
Jones of Atascosa.	Weinert.
Jones of Shelby.	West of Coryell.
Justiss.	Wiggs.
Kayton.	Wyatt.
Kennedy.	Young.

Nays—7.

Bond.	Lee.
Carpenter.	Ramsey.
Farrar.	West of Cameron.
Fisher.	

Absent.

Brice.	Fuchs.
Brooks.	Giles.
Bryant.	Hefley.
Daniel.	Hoskins.
Finn.	Keller.

Laird.	Nicholson.
Leonard.	Olsen.
Long.	Tarwater.
Martin.	Warwick.
Mathis.	Westbrook.

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

The Speaker then laid House bill No. 6 before the House on its third reading and final passage.

The bill was read third time.

Mr. Farmer offered the following amendment to the bill:

Amend House bill No. 6 by inserting after the word "law" in line 18 on page 4, the following words: "and provided further, that no part of this fund shall be used to prosecute chiropractors who are graduates of reputable and legal colleges of chiropractic and who practices solely the chiropractic science of aiding nature to restore her proper functions in the human body."

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was lost by the following vote:

Yeas—12.

Baker.	Graves.
Bond.	Hanson.
Carpenter.	Holloway.
Farmer.	Lee.
Farrar.	Richardson.
Giles.	Rogers.

Nays—101.

Adams of Harris.	Daniel.
Adams of Jasper.	Davis.
Adkins.	Dodd.
Akin.	Donnell.
Albritton.	Dunlap.
Alsup.	Duvall.
Anderson.	Dwyer.
Barron.	Elliott.
Beck.	Ferguson.
Bedford.	Forbes.
Bounds.	Ford.
Boyd.	Gilbert.
Bradley.	Greathouse.
Bryant.	Grogan.
Burns	Harman.
of McCulloch.	Harrison
Burns of Walker.	of El Paso.
Caven.	Hatchitt.
Claunch.	Herzik.
Coltrin.	Hill.
Coombes.	Hines.
Cox of Limestone.	Holder.
Cunningham.	Holland.
Dale.	Hubbard.

Hughes.	Reader.
Jackson.	Rountree.
Johnson	Sanders.
of Dallam.	Satterwhite.
Johnson	Savage.
of Dimmit.	Shelton.
Jones of Atascosa.	Sherrill.
Jones of Shelby.	Smith of Bastrop.
Justiss.	Smith of Wood.
Kayton.	Sparkman.
Kennedy.	Stephens.
Lasseter.	Strong.
Lilley.	Sullivant.
Lockhart.	Terrell
McCombs.	of Cherokee.
McDougald.	Terrell
McGill.	of Val Verde.
Magee.	Turner.
Mehl.	Van Zandt.
Moffett.	Vaughan.
Moore.	Veatch.
Munson.	Wagstaff.
Murphy.	Walker.
O'Quinn.	Warwick.
Patterson.	Weinert.
Petsch.	West of Cameron.
Pope.	West of Coryell.
Ramsey.	Wyatt.
Ratliff.	Young.
Ray.	

Absent.

Adamson.	Keller.
Brice.	Laird.
Brooks.	Lemens.
Cox of Lamar.	Leonard.
DeWolfe.	Long.
Dowell.	McGregor.
Finn.	Martin.
Fisher.	Mathis.
Fuchs.	Metcalfe.
Hardy.	Nicholson.
Harrison	Olsen.
of Waller.	Stevenson.
Hefley.	Steward.
Hoskins.	Tarwater.
Howsley.	Westbrook.
Johnson of Morris.	Wiggs.

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. Beck moved the previous question on the passage of the bill, and the main question was ordered.

House bill No. 6 was then passed by the following vote:

Yeas—100.

Adams of Harris.	Albritton.
Adams of Jasper.	Alsup.
Adamson.	Anderson.
Adkins.	Baker.
Akin.	Barron.

Beck.	Lemens.
Bedford.	Lockhart.
Bounds.	McCombs.
Bradley.	McDougald.
Burns of Walker.	McGill.
Caven.	McGregor.
Coltrin.	Magee.
Coombes.	Mehl.
Cox of Lamar.	Metcalfe.
Cox of Limestone.	Moffett.
Dale.	Moore.
Daniel.	Munson.
Davis.	O'Quinn.
Dodd.	Patterson.
Donnell.	Petsch.
Dunlap.	Ratliff.
Duvall.	Ray.
Dwyer.	Reader.
Elliott.	Rountree.
Ferguson.	Sanders.
Forbes.	Satterwhite.
Ford.	Savage.
Gilbert.	Shelton.
Graves.	Sherrill.
Greathouse.	Smith of Bastrop.
Hardy.	Smith of Wood.
Harman.	Sparkman.
Harrison	Stephens.
of El Paso.	Strong.
Hatchitt.	Sullivant.
Herzik.	Tarwater.
Hill.	Terrell
Hines.	of Cherokee.
Holland.	Terrell
Howsley.	of Val Verde.
Hubbard.	Turner.
Hughes.	Van Zandt.
Jackson.	Vaughan.
Johnson	Veatch.
of Dallam.	Wagstaff.
Johnson	Walker.
of Dimmit.	Warwick.
Jones of Atascosa.	Weinert.
Jones of Shelby.	West of Cameron.
Justiss.	West of Coryell.
Kayton.	Wyatt.
Keller.	Young.
Kennedy.	

Nays—20.

Bond.	Hanson.
Boyd.	Holloway.
Carpenter.	Lee.
Claunch.	Lilley.
Cunningham.	Murphy.
Farmer.	Pope.
Farrar.	Ramsey.
Fisher.	Richardson.
Fuchs.	Rogers.
Grogan.	Stevenson.

Present—Not Voting.

Bryant.	Giles.
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Absent.

Brice.	Brooks.
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Burns	Laird.
of McCulloch.	Lasseter.
DeWolfe.	Leonard.
Dowell.	Long.
Finn.	Martin.
Harrison	Mathis.
of Waller.	Nicholson.
Hefley.	Olsen.
Holder.	Steward.
Hoskins.	Westbrook.
Johnson of Morris.	Wiggs.

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. McDougald moved to reconsider the vote by which the bill was passed, and to table the motion to reconsider.

The motion to table prevailed.

BILLS AND RESOLUTIONS
SIGNED BY THE SPEAKER.

The Speaker signed, in the presence of the House, after giving due notice thereof and their captions had been read severally, the following enrolled bills and resolutions:

S. C. R. No. 21, Inviting Hon. Cordell Hull to address the Legislature.

S. C. R. No. 22, Relative to certain good will tour.

S. B. No. 126, "An Act to amend Chapter 115, Section 1, of the Acts of 1929, Forty-first Legislature, so as to increase the number of members on the Board of Nurse Examiners from five to six, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 70, "An Act authorizing and directing the Commissioner of the General Land Office of the State of Texas to deed, convey, assign and/or transfer all right, title and interest of whatsoever class, kind or character, directly or indirectly belonging to the State of Texas, in and to certain abutting property known as the Texas City or Government Dike, to the city of Texas City in Galveston county, Texas, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 85, "An Act to amend Section 2, Chapter 18, Acts of the Fifth Called Session of the Forty-first Legislature, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 21, "An Act authorizing certain charitable and eleemosynary institutions, incorporated under the laws of the State of Texas, to exercise the right of eminent domain and condemnation within the confines of

any incorporated city in this State having more than 43,000 inhabitants, according to the United States census of 1920, which city is in a county having a population of less than 100,000 inhabitants, according to said census, and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 46, "An Act providing for the appointment of a juvenile officer and assistant juvenile officers, etc., and declaring an emergency."

S. B. No. 516, "An Act to create Road District No. 5, Kendall county, Texas; defining and specifically setting out its boundaries, including therein all the territory embraced in Commissioners Precincts Nos. 1 and 4, which precincts are known as Road Districts Nos. 1 and 3, respectively; authorizing the commissioners court to continue to levy an ad valorem tax for the payment of the principal and interest on all outstanding bonds of the former district embraced within Road District No. 5, herein created; authorizing the issuance of bonds by the newly created road district in the manner and at such times as provided by the general laws of Texas for the issuance of bonds by road districts, and in conformity with Article 3, Section 52, of the State Constitution, and declaring an emergency."

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, on its second reading,

H. J. R. No. 26, Proposing an amendment to Article 6 of the Constitution of the State of Texas by adopting a new section, which shall provide that only qualified electors owning taxable property in the State, county, district, political subdivision, city, town or village where the election is held and which has been duly rendered for taxation shall be qualified to vote at elections held for the purpose of issuing bonds or otherwise lending credit, or expending money, or assuming debt therein.

The resolution was read second time.

Mr. Walker offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 26 as follows: Strike out period (.) and add (;) at end of first paragraph and add words as follows: "and provided, that any qualified elector of the county in which such political subdivision, district, city, town or village is located or partly located and who own taxable real estate in such politi-

cal subdivision, district, city, town or village and who have rendered the same for taxation, shall also be entitled to vote on such issue above in such political subdivision, district, city, town or village."

Question—Shall the amendment be adopted?

CONFERENCE COMMITTEE ON SENATE BILL NO. 111.

The Speaker announced the appointment of the following conference committee on Senate bill No. 111:

Messrs. DeWolfe, Petsch, Stevenson, Sanders and Gilbert.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Adkins, the House, at 12 o'clock m., took recess to 2 o'clock p. m. today.

AFTERNOON SESSION.

The House met at 2 o'clock p. m., and was called to order by the Speaker.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 26 ON SECOND READING.

The House resumed consideration of pending business, same being House joint resolution No. 26, relative to voting by only qualified voters who own taxable property.

The resolution having heretofore been read second time, with amendment by Mr. Walker, pending.

Mr. Farmer offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. Walker:

Amend House joint resolution No. 26 by adding after the word "vote," in line 28, page 1, the following words: "and all electors shall vote in the election precinct of their residence."

The substitute amendment was adopted.

The amendment as substituted was then adopted.

Mr. Anderson offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 26, page 1, line 29, by adding the following in lieu of Section 2:

"Section 2. The foregoing constitutional amendment shall be submitted to the qualified electors of the State on the first Tuesday after the first Monday in November, 1932, at which election there shall be printed on each ballot the following clause:

"For the amendment providing that only qualified electors owning taxable property in the State, county, district, political subdivision, city, town or village where the election is held and which has been duly rendered for taxation shall be qualified to vote at elections held for the purpose of issuing bonds or otherwise lending credit or expending money or assuming debt therein," and

"Against the amendment providing that only qualified electors owning taxable property in the State, county, district, political subdivision, city, town or village where the election is held and which has been duly rendered for taxation shall be qualified to vote at elections held for the purpose of issuing bonds or otherwise lending credit or expending money or assuming debt therein."

"Each voter shall scratch out one of the above listed clauses on the ballot, leaving the one expressing his vote on a proposed amendment to which it relates."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. Van Zandt offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 26, section 3a, line 1, by striking out the words, "the State or."

Mr. Savage moved the previous question on the pending amendment and the resolution, and the main question was ordered.

Question first recurring on the amendment, it was adopted.

House joint resolution No. 26 was then passed to engrossment by the following vote:

Yeas—95.

Mr. Speaker.	Dale.
Adams of Jasper.	Davis.
Adamson.	DeWolfe.
Adkins.	Dodd.
Albritton.	Donnell.
Alsup.	Duvall.
Anderson.	Dwyer.
Baker.	Elliott.
Beck.	Farmer.
Bedford.	Farrar.
Bond.	Fisher.
Bounds.	Forbes.
Boyd.	Ford.
Brice.	Fuchs.
Brooks.	Gilbert.
Bryant.	Giles.
Burns of Walker.	Graves.
Carpenter.	Grogan.
Caven.	Hardy.
Claunch.	Harrison
Coltrin.	of El Paso.
Coombes.	

Harrison	Petsch.
of Waller.	Pope.
Hatchitt.	Ratliff.
Herzik.	Reader.
Holland.	Richardson.
Hubbard.	Rountree.
Jackson.	Satterwhite.
Johnson	Savage.
of Dallam.	Smith of Bastrop.
Johnson	Stephens.
of Dimmit.	Stevenson.
Johnson of Morris.	Strong.
Jones of Shelby.	Sullivant.
Jones of Atascosa.	Tarwater.
Justiss.	Terrell
Kayton.	of Cherokee.
Kennedy.	Terrell
Laird.	of Val Verde.
Lee.	Turner.
Lemens.	Van Zandt.
Leonard.	Vaughan.
Lilley.	Veatch.
McGill.	Wagstaff.
Magee.	Walker.
Mehl.	Warwick.
Moffett.	Weinert.
Moore.	West of Coryell.
Munson.	Wyatt.
O'Quinn.	Young.

Nays—24.

Adams of Harris.	Holloway.
Akin.	Hughes.
Barron.	Lockhart.
Bradley.	McCombs.
Cox of Lamar.	McGregor.
Cunningham.	Ray.
Greathouse.	Rogers.
Hanson.	Sherrill.
Harman.	Smith of Wood.
Hefley.	Sparkman.
Hill.	West of Cameron.
Hines.	Wiggs.

Absent.

Burns	McDougald.
of McCulloch.	Martin.
Cox of Limestone.	Mathis.
Daniel.	Metcalfe.
Dowell.	Murphy.
Dunlap.	Nicholson.
Ferguson.	Olsen.
Finn.	Patterson.
Holder.	Ramsey.
Hoskins.	Sanders.
Howsley.	Shelton.
Keller.	Steward.
Lasseter.	Westbrook.
Long.	

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO.
25 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as a special order for this hour, on its second reading,

H. J. R. No. 25, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding to Article 9 thereof a new section, to be numbered 3, so as to authorize any county having more than 150,000 population to adopt a home rule charter for the establishment and regulation of its government, which may provide that the commissioners court of such counties may serve as the governing body, or that some other body shall act in lieu thereof, and said charter may also provide that the county judge, justices of the peace, district and county attorneys and other officers in said counties may be compensated by salary instead of fees of office, etc.

The resolution was read second time.

(Mr. Holder in the chair.)

Mr. Hubbard offered the following (committee) amendments to the resolution:

(1)

Amend House joint resolution No. 25 by adding after paragraph 1, Section 3, the following: "provided, however, that such charters may hereafter be authorized for any other county of the State of less population by act of the Legislature."

(2)

Add to the language of the proposed ballot in both places it appears, the following: "and providing that the Legislature may hereafter authorize any other county to adopt a home rule charter by a vote of the people therein."

The amendments were severally adopted.

Mr. Davis offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 25 by striking out the figures "1931" in line 16, at page 7 of said resolution, and substitute in lieu thereof the figures "1932."

Question recurring on the amendment, yeas and nays were demanded.

The amendment was adopted by the following vote:

Yeas—100.

Adams of Harris. Adams of Jasper.

Adamson.	Justiss.
Adkins.	Keller.
Akin.	Kennedy.
Albritton.	Lee.
Alsup.	Leonard.
Barron.	Lilley.
Bedford.	Lockhart.
Bond.	McDougald.
Bounds.	McGill.
Boyd.	Magee.
Bryant.	Mehl.
Burns of Walker.	Metcalfe.
Burns	Moffett.
of McCulloch.	Moore.
Carpenter.	Munson.
Claunch.	Murphy.
Coltrin.	O'Quinn.
Coombes.	Petsch.
Cox of Lamar.	Pope.
Dale.	Ramsey.
Davis.	Ratliff.
Dodd.	Ray.
Dowell.	Reader.
Elliott.	Richardson.
Farmer.	Rogers.
Farrar.	Rountree.
Ferguson.	Sanders.
Fisher.	Satterwhite.
Forbes.	Savage.
Ford.	Sherrill.
Fuchs.	Smith of Bastrop.
Gilbert.	Smith of Wood.
Giles.	Sparkman.
Graves.	Stevenson.
Greathouse.	Strong.
Grogan.	Tarwater.
Hanson.	Terrell
Harman.	of Cherokee.
Harrison	Terrell
of Waller.	of Val Verde.
Hatchitt.	Turner.
Hefley.	Van Zandt.
Hines.	Vaughan.
Holloway.	Veatch.
Howsley.	Wagstaff.
Hughes.	Warwick.
Jackson.	Weinert.
Johnson	West of Coryell.
of Dimmit.	Wiggs.
Johnson of Morris.	Wyatt.
Jones of Shelby.	Young.
Jones of Atascosa.	

Nays—5.

Baker.	McCombs.
Brice.	McGregor.
Donnell.	

Absent.

Anderson.	Daniel.
Beck.	DeWolfe.
Bradley.	Dunlap.
Brooks.	Duvall.
Caven.	Dwyer.
Cox of Limestone.	Finn.
Cunningham.	Hardy.

Harrison	Long.
of El Paso.	Martin.
Herzik.	Mathis.
Hill.	Nicholson.
Holder.	Olsen.
Holland.	Patterson.
Hoskins.	Shelton.
Hubbard.	Stephens.
Johnson	Steward.
of Dallam.	Sullivant.
Kayton.	Walker.
Laird.	West of Cameron.
Lasseter.	Westbrook.
Lemens.	

Absent—Excused.

Engelhard.	Scott.
Goodman.	Towery.
Morse.	

Mr. Pope offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 25 by adding at the end of Section 9 the following:

"(c) Any charter provisions deemed by the Legislature to be inimical to or inconsistent with the sovereignty and established public policies of the State shall be subject to revocation by general act of the Legislature; and substitute provision may be made in manner, substance and form as the Legislature may provide."

The amendment was adopted.

Mr. McGregor offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 25, Section 1, page 2, line 15, by striking out the figures "150" before the comma in said line and insert in lieu thereof the following, "75."

FORD,
McGREGOR.

Mr. Van Zandt offered the following substitute for the amendment by Mr. McGregor:

Amend House joint resolution No. 25 by striking out the figures "150,000" wherever they occur and insert in lieu thereof "60,000."

The substitute amendment was adopted.

The amendment as substituted was then adopted.

Mr. West of Coryell offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 25 by striking out after the word

"county" in line 15, page 2, down to and including the word "invoked" in line 17.

The amendment was lost.

(Speaker in the chair.)

Mr. Farmer offered the following amendment to the resolution:

Amend House joint resolution No. 25 by inserting after the word "Legislature," in line 18, page 3, these words: "and all judges."

Question—Shall the amendment be adopted?

MESSAGE FROM THE SENATE.

Senate Chamber,
Austin, Texas, March 17, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: I am directed by the Senate to inform the House that the Senate has passed the following:

S. J. R. No. 6, Proposing amendments to Sections 14 and 16, of Article 8 of the Constitution of Texas; combining the offices of tax collector and assessor of taxes; providing the time and manner thereof; providing for its submission to the voters of the State of Texas, as required by the Constitution, and making an appropriation thereof.

S. J. R. No. 22, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by amending Section 1 of Article 6 and Section 33 and Section 40 of Article 16 of the Constitution of Texas, so as to permit officers of the National Guard, the National Guard Reserves, and the officers of the Officers' Reserve Corps of the United States, and enlisted men of the National Guard the National Guard Reserve, and the Organized Reserve of the United States, and retired officers of the United States army, navy and marine corps and retired enlisted men of the United States army, navy and marine corps to vote and to hold public offices in Texas.

Respectfully,

JNO. B. DuPRIEST,
Assistant Secretary of the Senate.

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTIONS ON FIRST READING.

The following Senate joint resolutions were laid before the House,

read severally first time, and referred to the Committee on Constitutional Amendments;

Senate joint resolutions Nos. 6 and 22.

HOUSE BILLS ON FIRST READING.

The following House bills, introduced today (by unanimous consent), were laid before the House, read severally first time, and referred to the appropriate committees, as follows:

By Mr. De Wolfe, Mr. Adams of Jasper and Mr. Burns of Walker:

H. B. No. 976, A bill to be entitled "An Act authorizing the payment of fees to counsel appointed by the court in the trial of felony cases, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Criminal Jurisprudence.

By Mr. McGregor:

H. B. No. 977, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to accept and award all applications for the repurchase of public school land forfeited and reappraised under Chapter 94 of an Act approved March 19, 1925, and as amended by Chapter 25 of an Act approved October 27, 1926, for which applications or the first payment therefor were filed in the Land Office after the expiration of the time allowed by law for the filing thereof but for which the applications and the first payment were so filed; such acceptance and award to be subject to the existing rights of any third party who may have filed oil and gas applications thereon, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Public Lands and Buildings.

By Mr. McCombs:

H. B. No. 978, A bill to be entitled "An Act to provide for the liquidation and supervision of the affairs of unsafe or insolvent insurance companies or associations or those whose business is fraudulently or unlawfully conducted in this State by the Chairman of the Board of Insurance Commissioners, and declaring an emergency."

Referred to Committee on Insurance.

RECESS.

On motion of Mr. Anderson, the House, at 4:15 o'clock p. m., took recess to 9:30 o'clock a. m. tomorrow.

APPENDIX.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS.

The following committees have filed favorable reports on bills, as follows:

Agriculture: House bill No. 579.

Appropriations: House bill No. 241.

Constitutional Amendments: House joint resolution No. 42.

Counties: House bills Nos. 755, 790, 919 and 746.

Highways and Motor Traffic: House bill No. 177.

Insurance: House bill No. 762, Senate bill No. 372.

Judiciary: House bills Nos. 733, 862, 934, 948 and 957.

Education: House bills Nos. 742, 821, 581, 349, 870, 972 and 874, Senate bill No. 77.

Revenue and Taxation: House bill No. 547.

Congressional Districts: House bill No. 185.

The following committees have filed adverse reports on bills, as follows:

Constitutional Amendments: House joint resolution No. 20.

Judiciary: House bills Nos. 800 and 173.

Agriculture: House bills Nos. 235, 449 and 597.

Education: House bills Nos. 716 and 813.

The following committees have filed adverse reports, with a minority favorable report, on bills, as follows:

Constitutional Amendments: House joint resolutions Nos. 9 and 6.

Judiciary: House bill No. 345.

REPORTS OF THE COMMITTEE ON ENGROSSED BILLS.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 16, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives:

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 370, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize any drainage district heretofore created or which may be hereafter created under the provisions of Chapter 7, Title 128, of the Revised Civil Statutes, 1925, and which, at the time of its creation, has become a conservation and recla-

mation district under the provisions of Chapter 8, Title 128 aforesaid, or which may, after its creation pursuant to law now or hereafter in force, become such conservation and reclamation district, to levy all taxes of such district on a benefit basis; that is to say, on an equal and uniform basis or rate on each acre of land within said district, instead of an ad valorem basis, as now provided by law; to provide the method for the determination thereof; to repeal all laws in conflict herewith, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 16, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 463, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to accept and award all applications for the repurchase of public school land in Dallam county forfeited and reappraised under Chapter 94, an act approved March 19, 1925, and as amended by Chapter 25, an act approved October 27, 1926, for which applications or the first payment therefor were filed in the Land Office after the expiration of the time allowed by law for the filing thereof, but for which applications and the first payment were so filed; such acceptance and award to be subject to existing rights of any third party who may have filed oil and gas applications thereon, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 16, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 474, A bill to be entitled "An Act to validate and confirm the title to settlers' claims or pre-emption surveys to the pre-emptors or their assignees in all cases where proof of three years' occupancy from the date of filing of the application cannot be made, but use and occupancy for a period of twenty-five years prior to

the passage of this act can be shown, and to require the issuance of patents, and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

Committee Room,

Austin, Texas, March 16, 1931.

Hon. Fred H. Minor, Speaker of the House of Representatives.

Sir: Your Committee on Engrossed Bills, to whom was referred

H. B. No. 847, A bill to be entitled "An Act to authorize the Commissioner of the General Land Office to accept and award all applications for repurchase of public school land situated in Brewster county and Loving county, Texas, subject to forfeiture and reappraisal on date of passage of Chapter 94, an act approved October 27, 1926, for which applications or the first payment therefor were filed in the Land Office after the expiration of the time allowed by law for the filing thereof, but for which applications and the first payment were so filed, etc., and declaring an emergency."

Have carefully compared same and find it correctly engrossed.

JUSTISS, Chairman.

THIRTIETH DAY.

(Continued.)

(Wednesday, March 18, 1931.)

The House met at 9:30 o'clock a. m., and was called to order by Speaker Minor.

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION NO. 25 ON SECOND READING.

The Speaker laid before the House, as pending business,

H. J. R. No. 25, Proposing an amendment to the Constitution of the State of Texas by adding to Article IX thereof a new section to be numbered 3, so as to authorize any county having more than 150,000 population to adopt a home rule charter for the establishment and regulation of its government, which may provide that the commissioners court of such counties may serve as the governing body, or that some other body shall act in lieu thereof, and said charter may also provide that the county judge, justices of the peace, district and county attorneys and other officers in said counties may be compensated by salary instead of fees of office, etc.